

In the Claims:

Please rewrite claims 1-12 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion comprising the steps of:

preparing a substrate made of a ferroelectric single crystal,

fabricating a first electrode and a second electrode on a main surface of the substrate in separation,

B¹ | applying a first voltage ~~to~~ between the first electrode and the second electrode to
| generate and grow a first polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion toward the second electrode
| from the first electrode,


changing the distance between the first electrode and the second electrode, and

| applying a second voltage ~~to~~ between the first electrode and the second electrode to
| generate and grow a second polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion, in a different area from
| that of the first polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion, toward the second electrode from the
| first electrode.

2. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion as defined in claim 1, wherein the distance between the first electrode and the second electrode is widened.

3. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion as defined in claim 1, wherein the distance between the first electrode and the second electrode is shortened.

| 4. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion as defined in claim 1, wherein the first electrode is composed of a ctenoid electrode having plural strip electrode pieces, and the distance between the first electrode and the second electrode is controlled through the adjustment of the lengths of the electrode pieces of the first electrode.

 | 5. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion as defined in claim 1, wherein the second voltage is adjusted in the formation of the second polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion, thereby to control the size of the second polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion.

| 6. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion as defined in claim 5, wherein the second voltage is set to be larger than the first voltage.

| 7. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion as defined in claim 5, wherein the second voltage is set to be smaller than the first voltage.

| 8. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion as defined in claim 1, wherein the first electrode is positive and the second electrode is negative.

| 9. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion as defined in claim 1, wherein a positive potential is applied to the first electrode ~~on~~and a

| ~~planer~~planar electrode, provided on the rear surface of the substrate and connected with the
| first electrode, ~~being~~is set to be negative.

| 10. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion
| as defined in claim 1, wherein a polarization axis of the substrate is inclined from a direction
| parallel to the main surface.

| 11. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portion
| as defined in claim 10, wherein the inclination angle is set to within 0.2-10 degrees.

| 12. (Currently Amended) A method for forming a polarization-~~inversed~~inverted
| ~~structure~~portion as defined in claim 1, wherein plural first polarization-~~inversed~~inverted
| portions and plural second polarization-~~inversed~~inverted portions are formed to constitute a
| periodical polarization-~~inversed~~inverted structure.
